

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: *Arake et al.*
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Group: 2863
Examiner: Xiuquin Sun

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 21, 2003

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for an appropriate extension of the shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action dated 19 December 2002. Submitted concurrently herewith is a Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of the requisite Petition fee under Fee Code 1251. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper to ATS&K Deposit Account 01-2135 (as Order No. 520.40814X00).

Respectfully submitted,



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